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SUBJECT: ILLICIT PAYMENTS ON U.S. LAW AND JANUARY 23 CORRUPT PRACTICES WORKING GROUP MEETING

REFS: (A) STATE 295704; (B) STATE 307591; AND (C) STATE 001067

SUMMARY: GOJ PESSIMISTIC ON LIKELIHOOD OF PROGRESS IN ECOSOC WORKING GROUP MEETING ON CURRUPT PRACTICES BUT REQUESTS INFORMATION ON U.S. PRIORITIES. END SUMMARY.

1. IN ACCORDANCE WITH REF C EMBOFF PASSED PRESIDENT CARTER'S CONFIDENTIAL

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STATEMENT ON THE FOREIGN CORRUPT PRACTICES ACT OF 1977 TO THE ECONOMIC AFFAIRS DIVISION IN UNITED NATIONS BUREAU, MOFA. DIVISION DIRECTOR MASAKI YAGI SAID THAT HIS DIVISION'S ASSISTANT DIRECTOR MINORU SHIBUYA WOULD ATTEND WORKING GROUP MEETING BEGINNING JANUARY 23. YAGI CHARACTERIZED THE COMING SESSION AS A DIFFICULT ONE LIKELY TO BE INTERRUPTED BY IRRELEVANT POLITICAL INTERJECTIONS BY

LDCS, ESPECIALLY FROM AFRICA. SHIBUYA COMMENTED THAT MUCH INFORMAL DISCUSSION AND COORDINATION AND CONTACT AMONG EEC, CANADA, U.S. AND GOJ REPRESENTATIVES OUTSIDE U.N. HEADQUARTERS WOULD BE NECESSARY. SPECULATING THAT PROCEDURAL ASPECTS WOULD LEAVE RELATIVELY LITTLE TIME FOR NEW SUBSTANTIVE PROGRESS ON THE COMPOSITE DRAFT TEXT, YAGI ASKED FOR AN INDICATION OF WHAT ITEMS ARE REGARDED BY THE U.S. AS HAVING THE HIGHEST PRIORITY FOR TREATMENT DURING THE MEETING.

2. EMBASSY HOPES DEPARTMENT CAN PROVIDE A RESPONSE TO YAGI'S REQUEST BEFORE HE DEPARTS JANUARY 19, JAPAN TIME.

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